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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Lawsuit Against THE NATIONAL OBSERVER

At Mr. Elder's request, I talked with Mr. John Irwin, counsel for the publishers of THE NATIONAL OBSERVER. Apparently some time ago THE NATIONAL OBSERVER published a summary account of the indictment and trial of Francis Gary Powers. They are now being sued for copyright infringement by Translation World Publishers, who claim they have exclusive right to the English translation of the trial proceedings. Mr. Irwin believes there must have been contemporary translations and that possibly the translations were done by the Russian information service. I said I would see what we could dig up on this and he was highly appreciative. The General Counsel Librarian,  is searching for the desired material. STAT

s/ Lawrence R. Houston

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